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REQUEST FOR A DIVISIONAL APPLICATION OF PARENT APPLICATION  
SERIAL NO. 09/602,672 FILED JUNE 26, 2000 Under 37 CFR 1.53(b).

Transmitted herewith for filing is a divisional patent application of:

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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A HOLLOW SHAFT  
HAVING A FLANGE AT ONE END THEREOF

Enclosed are:

[X] 19 English pages of Abstract, specification, claims; copy of parent application's signed declaration with Power of Attorney (1 page).

[X] 10 A4 size soft sheets (Figs. 1-10B) of drawings attached to application.

[X] PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT (Please enter before calculating claim fees).

[X] An Assignment of this continuation application to Fuji Jukogyo Kabushiki Kaisha and Kubota Iron Works Co. Ltd was recorded on Reel/Frame 010936/0879 on 06/26/00 in parent application 09/602,672.

[X] IDS and claim of benefit of 35 USC 120: IDS (PTO-1449 from parent application) - the references are not provided here under 37 CFR 1.98(d) since they were filed on 6/26/00 in parent Ser. No.09/602,672 relied on for an earlier filing date under 35 USC 120, THE BENEFIT OF 35 USC 120 BEING HEREBY CLAIMED.

Claims as Filed

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[X] CLAIM IS HEREBY MADE OF THE BENEFIT OF THE FILING DATE OF THE Japanese Patent Application No.: 11-185542 filed June 30, 1999 UNDER 35 USC 119 (The priority document filed in the PTO in the parent Patent Application 09/602,672 on June 26, 2000).

[X] The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency in fees which may be due, or credit any excess to Account No. 06-0105

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